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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Anthony J. Konecni, et al.

Serial No.

08/988,686 (TI-22166)

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Art Unit:

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Examiner:

K. Eaton

Title:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SELECTIVELY COUPLING

A CONDUCTIVE MATERIAL TO A SURFACE OF A

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

DECLARATION OF CHRISTOPHER W. KENNERLY

CHRISTOPHER W. KENNERLY declares as follows:

- 1. THAT he is currently a registered patent attorney, Registration No. 40,675.
- 2. THAT, according to the copy of the file of the subject application in his offices, the Invention Disclosure in the subject application was mailed to his offices from Texas Instruments Incorporated on September 17, 1996 for preparation of a patent application.
- 3. THAT the Invention Disclosure was promptly placed in line for preparation of the patent application for filing prior to December 31, 1996.
- 4. THAT a Duty of Disclosure form was sent to the inventors on September 18, 1996.
- 5. THAT, under the supervision of Barton E. Showalter (Registration No. 38,302), he began preparing the patent application on or about September 26, 1996.

- 6. THAT, under the supervision of Mr. Showalter, he continued to prepare the patent application between September 26, 1996 and November 5, 1996, billing time to the patent application file on September 26, October 1, October 2, October 3, October 7, October 9, October 14, and October 17, 1996.
- 7. THAT Mr. Showalter reviewed and revised the patent application on or about October 31, 1996.
- 8. THAT a draft of the patent application was sent to the inventors for review on November 5, 1996.
- 9. THAT, under the supervision of Mr. Showalter, he incorporated comments received from the inventors into the patent application on or about December 16, 1996.
- → 10. THAT the completed patent application, with formal papers, was sent to the inventors on December 16, 1996 for execution.
- 11. THAT a provisional patent application, which was a copy of the completed patent application, was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 20, 1996, Serial No. 60/033,728.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the above statements are true and correct on information and belief.

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Date

Christopher W. Kennerly